

One of the Cambria county boys, W. M. Goch-enour rooming with Benjamin Benshoof was confined to his room with an attack of biliousness last week but is out again and has resumed his studies.

There never yet has been a people who have presumed to exalt the commandments of men to an equality with the word of God but that have been led away from the observance of God's commands thereby.

The instinct of birds and lower animals is somewhat remarkable. The remarkable fact is noted that at the outbreak of the cholera at Marseilles all the birds immediately winged their way from the infected country.

Dr. Jessup estimates that twenty years ago not twenty females out of 2,000,000 population, of India, could read. Now 7,149 girls attend Protestant schools there, and the change is due to the Protestant Christian missions.

Brother Beer has been giving us lots of copy of late. May his mind continue bright and the ink on his pen continue to flow until like Joseph of old he is ready to bestow his parting blessing and be gathered home to his fathers.

Our contributors will pardon us for pruning the Sop articles. We have been having so many dishes of late that it would not do to have too much in a dish. Our cooks should be careful not to get their sops and soups mixed.

The church at Mulvane, Sumner county, Kans., have appointed a lovefeast for Saturday, Sept. 6th. Meetings to continue over Sunday. The meeting to be held in the Mulvane church, and all are invited, so says brother F. C. Schaper.

Brother P. J. Brown is booked for the lovefeasts in Clarion and Armstrong counties, Pennsylvania, for the latter part of September. He may also attend the Sunday School Convention of Western Pennsylvania, on the 8th of September.

Never put much confidence in such as put no confidence in others. A man prone to suspect evil is mostly looking in his neighbor for what he sees in himself. As to the pure all things are pure; even so to the impure, all things are impure.

The readers of the EVANGELIST are calling for Bashor, Worst, Swihart and others to come forth from their seclusion and smile upon them as in days of yore. Where are you, ye reapers of life's harvest? The columns of the EVANGELIST are open for you, now as ever.

"Rev. Edward Mason who is so pleasantly remembered as the editor of the BRETHRENS EVANGELIST, preached in the College chapel last Sunday. He and his wife were the guests of D. J. Meyers, esq. They will return to their home next week."—Ashland Times.

A fearful murder is reported from Lewis county, Kentucky, where forty armed men attacked a mormon meeting on Sunday morning, shooting two mormon priests and two of their converts. The mormons are a bad set, but such conduct by masked men is equally bad.

We have good news from brother Bashor's meetings at Morrill, Kansas. Twenty-five were to be baptized on the twentieth, and still better results looked for before the meetings will close. Brother Bashor was feeling well and in good trim for work. The Lord be praised for his blessing.

For an account of an example of Gospel court-ey being set aside by the dictates of a foolish creed we refer our readers to H. M. Lichty's article from Carleton, Nebraska, in this issue. We hope to hear more of this in connection with an article on the salutation from the author of "Royal Crumbs."

Brother R. Z. Replogle, of New Enterprise, Pa., is ready to enter into evangelistic work this coming fall and winter. Brother R.'s experience in this line of work though not extensive has been quite successful, and we are glad that he intends to cultivate his talents. We hope the Brethren needing services of this kind will make a note of this.

A valient old Swiss preacher named Pointer, has for many years gone through France selling and giving away Bibles and Testaments. At the same time he preaches against Romanism and infidelity leaving the scriptures to tell the true Gospel story of salvation. In 1883 he sold 7,713 New Testaments, 780 Bibles, 17,355 illustrated sheets, and gave away 48,000 single Gospels.

Brother P. J. Brown went to Fostoria, Ohio, last Saturday not to see Ex-Governor Foster, but to preach for the Brethren at West Independence. On his return on Monday he dropped into our sanctum, brim full of cheer. He reports the Brethren at West Independence zealous in the cause of the Master, and the cause prospering at that place. Read what brother Brown has to say about them in another column.

Brother John Harley, of Pottstown, Pa., says, "I have collected a little money from a few of our church members toward helping to sustain the

EVANGELIST. I enclose herewith a postal note for \$4.99. Hope there will be other churches who will do a little in a similar way."—For which brother John and the members who have donated the above amount, have our thanks, and we pray that his hopes may be realized.

An exchange tells us that the Bishop of Liverpool, (England) is helping to solve the great question, "How to teach the masses?" He preaches in the open air in the great ship yards at noon, and among the 14,000 teamsters of that great city, with their wives and children, and to the men of large manufactories, oftentimes from 2,000 to 3,000 in one assembly. This is undoubtedly a very practical and substantial solution.

The Southeastern passenger agent for the Chicago & Alton R. R., Mr. W. W. Lord, called on us one day last week. The Chicago and Alton road is one of the finest roads in our country, and those desiring to visit the Western States could do no better than to go over their line. An excursion from this part of the State will begin about the 20th of September. All desiring to see western sights should use this opportunity. For information address WM. LEAMAN, Ashland, Ohio.

"From the minutes of the Annual Meeting of our Old Order Brethren, we learn that though in some things they are very radical in their views, in others they are corresponding liberal, especially are they liberal on the subject of re-baptism, in reference to those who have been baptized by true immersion."—Messenger.

The Messenger mistakes liberality for consistency and good common sense. It certainly does not take an overplus of liberality to admit into Christian fellowship those who have been baptized with the same baptism as ourselves without rebaptism, but it does take a wonderful amount of bigotry and stupidity to demand anything else.

The London Echo notes the fact that Wales enjoys great immunity from crime, and that at three assizes recently the Judge found no prisoners to try; and the Evangelical Messenger says that this state of affairs is accounted for by the fact that Wales is the most thoroughly Bible permeated country on the globe and is comparatively free from Romanism. The Welsh must read their Bibles to a better advantage than some Bible readers we know of on this side of the Atlantic. We know of some who will not pay their honest debts without an application of law, and do not hesitate to steal the very church houses they worship in from those who built them. But we may be mistaken about them reading their Bibles, or their freedom from Romanism.

Arrangements have been made with the B. & O. R. R. Co., for reduced rates, to the following meetings of societies, etc.: Bohemian Turner's Association, at Chicago, August 23rd, to 30th. Sons of Veterans, at Philadelphia, August 26th to 29th. Sunday school convention at Wheeling, 30th. Knights of Labor at Philadelphia, September 1st to 8th. Agassiz Scientific Association at Philadelphia, Sept. 2nd to 4th. American Institute of Mining Engineers at Philadelphia, Sept. 2nd to 6th. International Electrical Exhibition at Philadelphia, Sept. 2nd, to Oct. 11. Sovereign Grand Lodge, I. O. O. F., at Minneapolis, Sept. 10. American Board of Foreign Missions at Columbus, O., Oct. 7th, to 10. For further information as to rates, time for trains, &c., apply to Agents B. & O. R. R., or address W. E. Reppert, Passenger Agent, Columbus, Ohio.

The Ohio Divorce Reform League is an association formed for the purpose of promoting an improvement in public sentiment, in the practice of churches, and in the legislation of the State upon the subject of the family, marriage and divorce. The president of the association is G. T. Bedell, D. D.; Secretary, Rev. Paul Sterling, Newark, Ohio; Treasures, Charles Parrott, Esq., Columbus, Ohio. That something should be done to check the growing evil of obtaining divorces for trivial causes must be apparent to everyone who has at heart the welfare of society. To give our readers some idea of the extent of this growing evil we note the fact that in three counties in the northern part of this state the ratio of divorces to marriages is, omitting decimals, 1 to 5, and in Astabula county, this state, in 1883, there was one petition for divorce for about every two marriages.

The Ohio State Fair for 1884, will be held at Columbus, Ohio, on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, September 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, and 5th. This Fair is a State institution held in the interest of the people for the promotion of the industries of the State. Premium list, \$25,000.00. No pains have been spared to make it one of the largest and most attractive Fairs ever held in the State.

On the above dates the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad will sell cheap round trip excursion tickets, from all stations on its lines in Ohio to Columbus. Tickets good returning until September 7th, 1884.

For tickets and information in regard to special trains, etc., call on Agents Baltimore & Ohio Railroad.

On Wednesday and Thursday, Sept. 3rd and 4th, a special train will leave Mansfield, at 5:00, 10:15. Fare for round trip, \$1.50.

Writing from Morrill, Kans., August 19th, brother Bashor, says, "I am this far on my return home from a trip to Carleton, Thayer county, Nebraska, where I spent some time with brethren Saylor and Lichty, the enterprising bankers and land agents at that place. I like the country very much and could heartily recommend it to all who desire good homes, and cheap lands with the best of water, and society. About the only recommendation necessary, is to say Carleton is being surrounded by Somerset county, Pa., farmers. Where they settle you will always find a first class country. No cisters are needed in Thayer county, as all water is soft. It is one of the most desirable localities in the West. I am engaged here in a series of meetings. Last night several stood up for Christ and a deep and deepening interest prevails.

I return to Waterloo, Iowa, next week where we will begin a series of meetings at "Enon" (our new church), in Orange township."

It is almost too horrible to relate and get it is certainly true that the survivors of the Greely Expedition subsisted on the flesh of their dead comrades. It is horrible to what straits hunger may force human beings. It is related by Josephus that in the siege of Jerusalem a woman was induced to eat the flesh of her own child. The Greely party are men of like mental and physical organization as ourselves and it is perhaps useless for us to say that they are to be blamed; but while we are enjoying three full meals a day we naturally shrink at the thought of eating the flesh of a fellow mortal. We should bestow pity rather than censure on the poor sufferers. One of the party was shot for stealing food from his comrades, after repeated warnings as to his fate if he would persist in the offense. This is the most chilling story we have heard from the Arctic regions yet, and we heartily wish that the feelings of the friends and relatives of the survivors as well as the public sense of propriety would have been spared the publication of the report.

The Pulpit Treasury for September is on our table. This excellent monthly should adopt "Excelsior" as its motto, as it pushes on its upward progress regardless of summer's heat or winter's cold. All its sermons and articles are masterpieces of thought, suggestive to all Christian workers and always timely in appearance. The initial sermon by Dr. Jesse B. Thomas is a noble contribution to sermonic literature. The Baccalaureate Sermon by Dr. Witherspoon is characterized by beauty and strength. That by Rev. Mr. Spurgeon on "The Joy of the Harvest Inaugural," is exceedingly timely and beautiful; while that by Rev. J. E. Johnston will be valued as a capital specimen of an evangelistic sermon. "Leading Thoughts on Sermons" are on "The Realities of the Sanctuary," "The Burning Bush," "Present Truth," and "Prayer." Dr. Armitage has a second article on "The Treatment of Scepticism in the Pulpit." Chancellor Waddell furnishes one on "The Bible as a Text-book in Education." President Patton presents "The Preacher as a Witness." Bishop Ryle's article on "Sabbath Observance" should be read by every American. "Wakefulness and how Avoided," by Daniel Lewis, M. D., concerns every christian worker. Other articles are richly freighted with truth, and are by Prof. Brown on "The Religion of Samaria in Sargon's Time;" by Bishop Welsh on "Christian Influence in the Home;" by Dr. Johnston on "Mission Work in South Africa," and by Dr. John Hall on "The Pastor Contemplating his Work." All departments in this Treasury are filled with something better than gold. The illustrations are a portrait of Dr. Thomas and views of the interior and exterior of his church. Price, 2.50. Clergymen, \$2.00. Single copies, 25 cts. E. B. Treat, Publisher, 757 Broadway, New York.

Correspondence.

From Farmersville, Ohio.

Last Saturday, the 23rd, the Lexington congregation met in council at the house of brother Ephraim Baker. Our business was transacted in a very common-sense way, and the most notable feature of the meeting was the christian respect with which each received the others views. Having nothing of an unpleasant nature to do, all went well and we all parted better friends than ever.

It was decided to hold a lovefeast at the house of one of the brethren, on September 11th, next. A committee of five was appointed to make the necessary arrangements.

This church also decided to commence a protracted meeting November 16th.

Under the superintendence of brother G. C. Henkle, our Sunday school at Farmersville had greatly improved during our late vacation.

Next Sabbath evening, the 30th, we have an appointment in New Lebanon.

On next Sunday, the 31st, our meeting at Farmersville will be in the evening. Subject for discourse, "Receiving the Holy Ghost."

Brother Holsinger's discourse here during the canvassing tour was much appreciated and highly spoken of.

The Farmersville congregation, although numbering only a little over thirty members, have already subscribed over \$3,000 toward Ashland college. If every congregation in the brotherhood would do their duty in this matter, there would be no need of brother Holsinger's sacrifice now.

Somebody told us lately that the German Baptists in some part of Indiana, have come out under a new name. They call their meeting house, the Brethren's Bible-alone church. Is that so, brother editor, I think you ought to know?

Never cut a tree down in order to gather the fruit.

While on our late visit to Ashland, I was agreeably surprised at the improvement in the singing during the Sabbath day services at the College chapel. They have a large choir there. Every one in the house was a member of it. Prof. Ward deserves great credit for the manner in which he has enthused the people there in this department. "They sang as if they meant it. Then they do not perform this part of worship lazily. They reverently stand while they sing! This would be a good custom to adopt everywhere. We would have better singing.

Our new editor is doing well. No. 33 is good. That's right, brother Eli, "agitate," but mind that it's done in the right direction. EDWARD MASON.

Farmersville, Ohio.

From Christopher, Kansas.

DEAR EVANGELIST: Once more through the mercies of God, I will try to let you know that we have been blessed. On the 16th of this month we were blessed with four excellent sermons by our beloved Elder Jacob W. Beer. He preached for us on the night of the 16th, also on the 17th, at 11 a. m., when two precious souls came out upon the Lord's side. May the good Lord still continue to bless our labors and send his converting power into this part of his moral heritage. After Sabbath school we repaired to the water to attend to the ordinance of baptism. From thence we returned to the house of the writer, to attend to prayer and the laying on of hands. May the blessing of God and the love of Christ rest and remain with the new converts. May they be able to withstand all temptations and trials, and come out more than conquerors at last.

We have much interest manifested here. There are several that are mourning to know the love of God. May we soon have a season of rejoicing long to be remembered. I now will close by saying may God bless your labors in being the instrument of bringing may precious souls unto God. Brethren, remember us in your prayers that we may still continue faithful unto God. May the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit rest and abide with all the brethren, henceforth and forever, is my prayer. Amen. C. C. BARNARD.

Christopher, Kans.

From Nickerson, Kansas.

God is still blessing the work at Riverton, Kansas. Two were baptized on the 17th inst.; others are nearing the kingdom. May God continue his blessing. Ministerial help is much needed. Brethren, pray for us. JACOB W. BEER.

It is the part of an indiscreet and troublesome ambition to care too much about fame—about what the world says of us; to be always looking into the faces of others for approval, to be always anxious for the effect of what we do or say; to be always shouting to hear the echo of our own voices. If you look about you, you will see men who are wearing life away in feverish anxiety for fame; and the last we shall ever hear of them will be funeral bells that toll them to their early graves!—Longfellow.

Married.

LANE—ULLERY: August 10th, 1884, at the residence of T. K. Fennis, by Rev. Rouch, of the Disciple church, Mr. D. F. LANE, M. D., of Conover, O., to Miss JESSIE A. ULLERY, of Covington, O.

Died.

TABOR: August 21st, 1884, MARTHA F. TABOR, wife of Richard Tabor, residing four miles northwest of Adrian, Mo., of heart disease. Funeral services conducted by the writer, from Revelations 21: 1-4, to an attentive audience. Deceased leaves a husband and five children to mourn their loss. She was not a professor of religion, but had a few times since living in the community, manifested considerable interest in the Redeemer's cause, and was a regular attendant at Sabbath school. AARON SHOWALTER.